

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE
NASHVILLE DIVISION

L.W. et al.,)	
<i>by and through her parents and next friends,</i>)	
<i>Samantha Williams and Brian Williams,</i>)	
)	No. 3:23-cv-00376
Plaintiffs,)	JUDGE RICHARDSON
)	
v.)	
)	
JONATHAN SKRMETTI et al.,)	
)	
Defendants.)	

**DEFENDANTS' LOCAL RULE 7.01(a)(4) MOTION TO EXCEED PAGE LIMITS IN
ITS COMBINED REPLY TO PLAINTIFFS' AND INTERVENOR'S OPPOSITON TO
DEFENDANTS' MOTION TO RESET BRIEFING SCHEDULE AND CONSOLIDATE
PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION HEARING WITH TRIAL ON THE MERITS**

Defendants respectfully move for leave to exceed five pages in their reply memorandum in support of their Motion to Reset Briefing Schedule and Consolidate Preliminary Injunction Hearing with Trial on the Merits, for good cause, as follows. Plaintiffs and the Proposed Intervenor each filed their own responses, and Defendants' reply addresses both. Plaintiffs for the first time in their response brief rely upon the United States' presence in this case to establish irreparable harm. Defendants have also spent the last week attempting to obtain the discovery it needs. This reply brief, limited to eleven pages and filed concurrently with this motion, provides the Court with information to inform its decision on Defendants' motion. Defendants attempt to expedite this Court's consideration of a full set of briefs on a crucial issue by filing their reply brief six days before the Rule's deadline.

Counsel for Defendants has conferred with counsel for Plaintiffs regarding the relief requested herein, and Plaintiffs have advised they take no position on the motion.

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, Defendants respectfully request the Court to grant their motion and to allow them to include six additional pages in their reply brief above the page limits permitted under the Local Rules.

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